

February 5, 2009

To Members of the Finance Committee:

My name is Roger F. Joyce, Executive Vice President of The Bilco Company of West Haven, CT.

I am writing to express my strong opposition to a number of tax bills under consideration by the Finance Committee. In such difficult economic times, it would be unwise to adopt bills that would cause further damage to Connecticut's economy and increase costs to businesses who are struggling to be competitive. The bills I oppose are:

HB-6348, HB6349, HB-6350, SB-807 and SB-815

Rather than burden our businesses further, I hope the Committee can join the business community to promote economic development and job creation in Connecticut. Rejection of these bills is important to the economic vitality of our state.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Roger F. Joyce

Executive Vice President

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